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Town of Irmo

Today, Irmo means excellent [schools](#), municipal services, recreational opportunities, health services and dynamic businesses such as those in and around Columbiana Centre, a regional shopping mall and the largest in the Midlands. [Over 300 members](#) comprise the rapidly growing Greater Irmo Chamber of Commerce, which is focused on the future development of Irmo. The Greater Irmo Chamber of Commerce operates a [Tourist/Information Center](#) at 1246 Lake Murray Boulevard.

The town's administrative offices are located on Woodrow Street in the Mathias/Lown house. It was moved to its present site and restored as part of the Centennial Celebration in 1990. To link to The Town of Irmo Web site, please click [here](#).



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Dear Web Traveler,

Welcome to the Greater Irmo Chamber of Commerce web site! We are proud of our community and we want to share it with the world.

Our Greater Irmo Community has:

- one of the most beautiful natural environments ([Lake Murray](#)) here in our front yard
- one of the finest [school districts](#) and educational facilities
- one of the largest and best [shopping](#) areas
- one of the lowest unemployment rates with great places to work
- one of the lowest crime rates
- one of the lowest tax rates
- some of the most beautiful and affordable housing
- the greatest people in the world

We hope you will visit the Greater Irmo Area in person to see the beauty of the area and to enjoy the excitement of a great community. You will find a welcome you'll not soon forget and the warmth of a culture on the move. You will enjoy the dinner sunset cruise on Lake Murray; the excitement of a golf tournament on a beautiful course; the marching bands at the [Okra Strut Parade](#); enjoying the many craft booths and fried okra at one of the top ten food festivals in the USA; seeing and hearing the talented young women vying for the scholarships at the [Miss Greater Irmo Scholarship Pageant](#); the thrill of the bidding at the Fall Auction for a good cause; the beauty and the class of the Black Tie Ambassador of the Year Gala; Christmas lights and decorations at every turn during the holidays; our many denominations right here in the community; the thrill of fall football, spring baseball, and year round excitement. This is the Greater Irmo Community!

Come visit the Best Little Community by a Dam Site!! Irmo the Gateway to the Lake Murray Dam!

Chuck Larsen

Executive Director
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Current Calendar

- **Spring**
 - Spring Things Craft Show
 - Lake Murray Poker Run
 - Irmo Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament
 - Crawfish Jam-Beaux-Ree
- **May** - SummerFest
- **July** - Miss S.C. Pageant
- **Summer** - Professional Football Game
- **August** - Miss Greater Irmo Pageant
- **September**
 - Bass Champions Team Trials Regional Championship
 - Okra Strut (Voted one of the 10 best food festivals in the na)
- **November** - Annual Irmo Chamber of Commerce Silent/Live Auct partially benefits local high school scholarships
- **Winter** - Christmas Party and Tree Lighting

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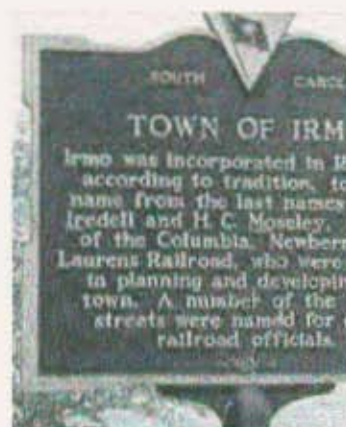
... now and into the 21st century. Having developed as a serendipitous meeting place of rivers, Indian trails, railroads and interstate highways, it is situated on the shores of Lake Murray only 10 miles from South Carolina's state capitol, Columbia.

Location, history and people have inspired a tradition of excellence culminating in a suburban success story. As recently as the early 1970s, Irmo was a sleepy little town of around 500 people. Today, Irmo is one of the nation's most sought-after places in which to live.



Gateway to Lake Murray

The next major change for Irmo occurred a quarter of a century later when the largest earthen dam in the world was built across the Saluda River. This dam formed Lake Murray, named after William S. Murray, one of the dam's engineers. The dam, along with the construction of Interstate 26 near Irmo in the late '50s, made possible the continued growth of the greater Irmo area. With its 520-mile shoreline and wide range of recreational opportunities, beautiful Lake Murray has helped the town of Irmo become known as the "Gateway to Lake Murray."



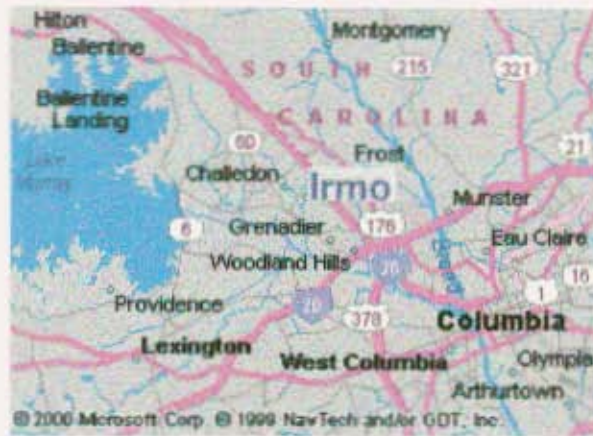
Of names and trains ...

The origin of the name "Irmo" is the story of the railroad's influence. The town was incorporated in 1882 and grew up along the tracks of the Columbia, Newberry and Laurens Railroad on the high ridge between the two rivers. The site was chosen because it was the appropriate distance from Columbia for refueling the water-burning locomotives. The town was named by combining the first letters of the names of two railroad company men, C.J. Iredell and H.C. Moseley.

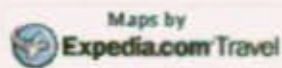
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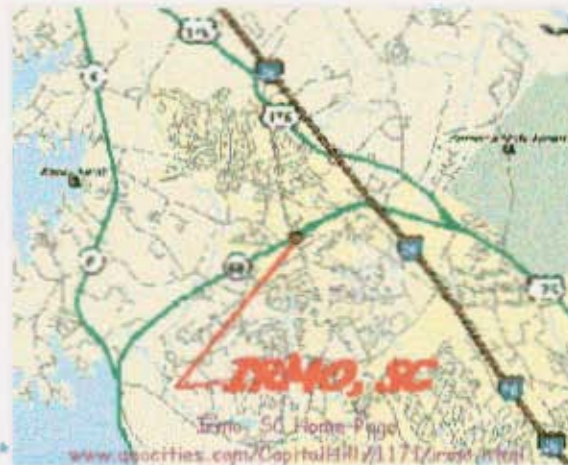
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Featuring Lake Murray



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Irmo, South Carolina (pop. 13,325)

This rapidly growing town is ten miles northwest of Columbia.

Chartered in 1890, the town was named for two officers of the local railroad whose names were *Irdell* and *Mosley*.

Irmo is ideally situated in a tourist paradise:

Beautiful Lake Murray; Historic Irmo, Lexington, Dutch Fork and

Columbia are all close by. Shopping in the Irmo area is second to none. Visit [The Town of Irmo Welcome Center](#) while you are here!

Irmo, South Carolina, is located in

[Lexington County](#) & [Richland County](#)

On The Shores of Beautiful Lake Murray

Plan to visit these Irmo attractions

[Lake Murray](#) - A man-made lake, Lake Murray holds many pleasures for the visitor, whether it is motorboating, jet-skiing, water skiing, swimming or fishing. [Boating Safety](#) is very important for residents and visitors alike, too. Picnics on the shore have become a standard for those drawn to the lake. Don't forget to stop by the [Lake Murray Visitor Center](#) for all of the latest information.

[Shady Grove United Methodist Church](#) - This church dates from 1770, and in 1784 joined the Methodist Church of America.

[Mathias-Lown House](#) - A beautiful Queen Anne style home that was built in 1905 now is the home of the Irmo Town Hall. The Lown family donated the house to Irmo and was moved from its original location, just down Woodrow Street, to the corner of Woodrow and Columbia Avenues. It has been completely renovated and it has retained its Victorian home style.

[Lorick Plantation House](#) - Also named Green Acres, was built in 1840 as a two story gabled end structure. The home did experience some damage from General Sherman as his troops set it afire, but the courageous townfolk put out the fire after the Union troops rode off

laughing.

River Road House (Swygert House) - Once a parsonage for St. Michael's Evangelical Lutheran Church, it has been moved and renovated to an honored location on Highway 6. Built around 1910, it is used for commercial and community use.

Koon Family Home - Built around 1880, this house has been moved but not altered and remains in the Koon family to this day. The home now sits atop an Irmo hill at Double Acres, just off Highway 76. Elsewhere on the location is a frame grain barn and a shed that dates to 1920. . . and a frame cotton house and the workshop/toolhouse that was built circa 1900. . . not to mention the saw mill that is 80 years old.

Mathias-O'Sheal Home - Built over 100 years ago, this was the home of Irmo's first mayor, Luther S. Mathias. Once located on the corner of St. Andrews Road and Highway 60, it has been moved to Twin Pines Road in Little Mountain.

Cemetery Markers - Cemetery markers at St. Michael's Lutheran Cemetery and Bethel Church Cemetery display the names of those whose graves still remain beneath the deep waters of Lake Murray. Other markers around the lake remind visitors of those that are still "sleeping" under the surface.

Allied Fibers - Celebrating 35 years in Irmo, this fiber plant employs more than 1,400 people. Irmo and Allied Fibers have been growth partners in this area, each becoming stronger as a result of the partnership.



The History of Irmo, SC

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1990 Census Bureau
Data re
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1990 US Census Data
Database: C90STF3A
Summary Level: State--Place

Irmo town: FIPS.STATE=45, FIPS.PLACE90=35890

PERSONS*Universe: Persons*

Total.....11280

FAMILIES*Universe: Families*

Total.....3298

HOUSEHOLDS*Universe: Households*

Total.....3742

URBAN AND RURAL*Universe: Persons*

Urban:

Inside urbanized area.....11280

Outside urbanized area.....0

Rural:

Farm.....0

Nonfarm.....0

RESIDENCE IN 1985---STATE AND COUNTY LEVEL*Universe: Persons 5 years and over*

Same house in 1985.....4194

Different house in United States in 1985:

Same county.....1627

Different county:

Same State.....1952

Different State:

Northeast.....404

Midwest.....279

South.....1287

West.....289

Abroad in 1985:

Puerto Rico.....0

U.S. outlying area.....0

Foreign country.....0

RESIDENCE IN 1985---MSA/PMSA LEVEL*Universe: Persons 5 years and over*

Living in an MSA/PMSA in 1990:

Same house in 1985.....4194

Different house in United States in 1985:

This MSA/PMSA in 1985:

Central city.....710

Remainder of this MSA/PMSA.....2008

Different MSA/PMSA in 1985:

Central city.....1119

Remainder of different MSA/PMSA.....1296

Not in an MSA/PMSA in 1985.....705

Abroad in 1985.....0

Not living in an MSA/PMSA in 1990:

Same house in 1985.....0

Different house in United States in 1985:

In an MSA/PMSA in 1985:

Central city.....0

Remainder of MSA/PMSA.....0

Not in an MSA/PMSA in 1985.....0

Abroad in 1985.....0

PLACE OF WORK---STATE AND COUNTY LEVEL

Universe: Workers 16 years and over

Worked in State of residence:

Worked in county of residence.....3753

Worked outside county of residence.....2477

Worked outside State of residence.....96

PLACE OF WORK---PLACE LEVEL

Universe: Workers 16 years and over

Living in a place:

Worked in place of residence.....608

Worked outside place of residence.....5718

Not living in a place.....0

PLACE OF WORK---MSA/PMSA LEVEL

Universe: Workers 16 years and over

Living in an MSA/PMSA:

Worked in MSA/PMSA of residence:

Central city.....2824

Remainder of this MSA/PMSA.....3043

Worked outside MSA/PMSA of residence:

Worked in a different MSA/PMSA:

Central city.....106

Remainder of different MSA/PMSA.....99

Worked outside any MSA/PMSA.....254

Not living in an MSA/PMSA:

Worked in an MSA/PMSA:

Central city.....0

Remainder of MSA/PMSA.....0

Worked outside any MSA/PMSA.....0

PLACE OF WORK---MINOR CIVIL DIVISION LEVEL

Universe: Workers 16 years and over

Living in the 9 Northeastern States:

Worked in the minor civil division of residence.....0

Worked outside minor civil division of residence.....0

Not living in the 9 Northeastern States.....6326

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK

Universe: Workers 16 years and over

Car, truck, or van:

Drove alone.....5281

Carpooled.....757

Public transportation:

Bus or trolley bus.....12

Streetcar or trolley car.....0

Subway or elevated.....0

Railroad.....0

Ferryboat.....0

Taxicab.....0

Motorcycle.....8

Bicycle.....0

Walked.....48

Other means.....26

Worked at home.....194

TRAVEL TIME TO WORK

Universe: Workers 16 years and over

Did not work at home:

Less than 5 minutes.....	98
5 to 9 minutes.....	440
10 to 14 minutes.....	605
15 to 19 minutes.....	1000
20 to 24 minutes.....	1212
25 to 29 minutes.....	618
30 to 34 minutes.....	1324
35 to 39 minutes.....	207
40 to 44 minutes.....	131
45 to 59 minutes.....	241
60 to 89 minutes.....	163
90 or more minutes.....	93

Worked at home.....194

AGGREGATE TRAVEL TIME TO WORK (IN MINUTES)

Universe: Workers 16 years and over who did not work at home

Total.....146216

Exhibit F

Excerpts from the Recent Editions of
The New Irmo News
And
The Lake Murray News

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Rezoning stirs strong feelings

By Ned Shetty, Jr.

How Like
School rezoning is always a contentious issue, and District 5 - the state's top rated school system - is no exception.

Rezoning, the process of redrawing attendance lines, is necessary every several years to balance growth. It traditionally draws the ire of parents sensitive to schools' performance and not wanting their children bounced around the district.

In District 5, new lines are needed because of an elementary school nearing

completion on Bickley Road in Ballentine.

A citizens' committee composed of a representative from each District 5 school has been meeting, arguing and taking input from the community. Crossroads Middle School, which feeds into both Irmo and Dutch Fork high schools, has two committee members, while District 5 administration has three non-voting representatives.

The committee's role is advisory, however. Superintendent Dr. Dennis McMa-

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Students recognized for AP achievements

Two Dutch Fork High School students were honored by The College Board at the Advanced Placement Program Awards Luncheon held in Hilton Head on Feb. 14.

The annual awards luncheon recognizes outstanding Advanced Placement (AP) students and teachers from area high schools. The six recipients of the awards were selected from hundreds of AP students across the state. The students represent the hard work and academic achievement of AP students throughout the nation.

Students from Dutch Fork High that

were recognized during the program include Elizabeth Ann Harris and Jessica E. Mannon, Dutch Fork High.

Harris said, "As an AP student, I pride myself in being a part of a group of the most talented high school students in the nation. The hard work and determination that is required for all AP students is what attracts me and thousands of others."

Mannon said Advanced Placement courses offer students "the opportunity to achieve beyond what they ever imagined. My AP classes have allowed me to prove

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Six Nursery Road Elementary School students are finalists in the SCPTA (South Carolina Parent Teachers Association) Reflections Contest. This year's contest theme was "I Hold in My Hand..."

Pictured are Anna Borders, first grade; Benjamin Hinson, first grade; Haley Hall, fourth grade; Mary Chris Sauterby, third grade; Paige Halverson, fifth grade; and Meredith Melton, fourth grade.

Concert series to start in April

By Ned Shetty, Jr.

How Like

Irmo's Sunday in the Park concert series is taking shape.

Town leaders are gearing up to hold a concert on the first Sunday of each month in Irmo Park off Mower St. The shows will run from 3 to 4:30 pm.

"I'm working on a Jimmy Buffet cover

band for May, bluegrass for June, a patriotic theme for July and maybe an Elvis impersonator for August," Town Council member Bruce Holland said. "Possibly a shag band for September."

The concerts might have vendors but no alcohol will be sold. Holland said anyone who wants to sponsor the series can call him at 732-2973.

Irmo High student scored first in nation on German Exam

Benjamin Ward, a ninth-grader at Irmo High, recently demonstrated his competence in the German language by scoring first-place in the nation on a National German examination.

Ward was one of more than 23,000 students who participated in this year's testing, administered by the American Association of Teachers of German, a national organization with more than 7,000 members.

Topics include listening, comprehension, reading skills, applied grammar, and idioms in context.

Irmo High students Daniel Schep and Jonathan Hess also scored in the 90th percentile. The students are instructed by Helga Hult.

Barbara Brockhard to lead new elementary school

The District 5 School Board last Monday night named Dr. Barbara Brockhard principal of the new elementary school currently under construction on Bickley Road in Ballentine. Brockhard is the current principal at Dutch Fork Elementary.

Brockhard has been employed with District 5 for 13 years. She served as principal of Lapham Elementary for six years before joining the Dutch Fork Elementary staff in 1996.

She holds a bachelor of arts degree, a Master of Education degree and a Ph.D. in Education Administration from the University of South Carolina. She is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, the SC Association of School Administrators, the Association of Standards and Curriculum

Development and the National Association of Elementary Principals.

"I feel honored to be named principal of the new elementary school," said Brockhard. "The new school holds the potential to be a wonderful institution that promotes student, staff and parent success and involvement. As the principal, I will strive to make the students feel safe, happy and successful; to make the parents and community feel welcome and involved; and to make the staff feel supported and successful. With these components in place, the new school should become an asset to our students, parents, staff and our community."

The school is scheduled to open in August.

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IRMO HIGH BEAT

Irmo High School has formula for success

A walk through the halls of Irmo High School lets visitors know immediately why it continues to be one of the most recognized names in South Carolina education, and much of Irmo's success can be attributed to its straight A's.

These letters don't stand for report card grades but rather for those elements which give Irmo High School both its strong foundation and its bright future. The five A's that Irmo has represents are Academics, Arts, Athletics, Applications, and Attitude.

Seniors Jonathan Hess and Alex Kloth can vouch for the academics here at Irmo High as they, along with fellow seniors John Bedenbaugh, Drew Sheffield, and Jon Vargas, prepare to lead the Academic Team to Chicago, Illinois, Austin, Texas, and Malibu, California, this May and June in pursuit of their second consecutive national title. Currently, the team ranks third in the nation in an unofficial poll online.

Hess and Kloth explain that the academic field can be highly competitive, and because they both claim to be competitive by nature, they find these contests, combined with the weekly early morning practices, to be educational as well as refreshing.

Bedenbaugh and Kloth have been busy using their talents in other areas as well. They join Kyle Bishop and Erin Zander as our National Merit Finalists this year. Three other students achieved National Merit Semi-Finalists status: Shaun Bickley, Shannon Ferri, and Jonathan Hess.

All four finalists are also members of our SAT Team, comprised of 25 young men and women who qualified several weeks ago for the second round of competition in their division. Results of

the February 20 round are not currently available.

Irmo High also recognizes that curricula should venture beyond the traditional English and math classrooms. Benjamin Ward was just named the First Place recipient in the nation on the National German Exam, and several students received 2002 South Carolina Scholastic Arts Awards. This year, Irmo has two Gold Key winners, Robin Willoughby for Drawing and Bryan Gardner for Photography Portfolio. Both students will compete at the national level in April. Students who received Certificates of Merit in the Arts are Julie Saunders for Fiber/Textile, Bryan Gardner and Dean Grant each for Photography, and Jeremy Groth for Drawing.

Irmo continues to excel in the area of Athletics. The varsity football team, after taking the region championship title in November, opened avenues for three members who have signed National Letters of Intent: Javon Alford and Vincent Smith will help Allen University in its first football season while Chris Woods will play for the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Woods will also travel to Cleveland, Ohio, during Spring Break with Al Jones and Parker Vulek to compete in the High School Coaches' Association Senior National Wrestling Competition. All three qualified for the event by placing first or second in

the state in their weight class during their junior year. These young men helped the wrestling team earn the title of Region III, 4-A Champions and now join the ranks of the football team, also named Region III, 4-A Champions, and the girls' tennis team, which earned its second consecutive state championship earlier this year.

Students are not the only ones keeping busy these days. The Media Center is planning a day filled with activities on March 1st in honor of Dr. Seuss's birthday. Joe Pinner from WIS-TV and Suzette Hawkins from the Lexington County Public Library will head the list of special guests. Teachers, staff, and students, dressed as their favorite characters, will be able to vote for the administrator who represents their favorite Dr. Seuss book. All proceeds will go to the Leukemia Society in



By BETH MOORE
ENGLISH TEACHER, IRMO HIGH

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memory of Irmo High student Arthur Coleman.

The PTSO also has been busy working on different projects, the most recent of which is their work on the podium refinished in honor of the IHS teachers. Art Teacher Mary Shawver is painting a plaque with the school crest to be placed on the podium.

This is certainly not the end of a long list of activities and accomplishments. And while Irmo High School could add accolades to its "Straight-A list," the students and staff realize that Attitude is where all honors and achievements begin. While members of the Irmo community take pride in all seventy years of the school's tradition of excellence, they continue to work proactively to ensure the next seventy years will be just as notable and rewarding.

Beth Moore has been teaching English/Language Arts in District Five since 1980 and is a former District Five Teacher of the Year. She is married, has one son who graduated from Irmo High School in 2001 and three more sons from the graduating classes of 2005, 2007, and 2011.

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Seay ON Sports

By Jim Seay



This past week was one that carried double faults. Not in tennis, however, but in two distinctly different venues. One on an Olympic games ice rink at Salt Lake City and the other on the high banks of Daytona Speedway.

It started when the French and at least one other judge agreed to collusion, resulting in the awarding of the gold medal to the Russian figure skating team. That left most of the world that cared in an uproar. Public response didn't bring about a solution as some writers have said but an honest evaluation did make things right.

The Canadians, as shown in side-by-side video comparisons, were far superior on this particular night as they executed their routine flawlessly while the Russians had several noticeable blunders.

The Frenchwoman, Marie-Reine Le Cougne, described as "fragile under pressure," was suspended and went back home. She admitted to agreeing to sway her decision but subsequently has told a French sports publication that she didn't. Other judges say she had discussed deal making in previous events.

In what might be called a "fix" of a "fix," the IOC and International Skating Union worked out a solution. Both teams, in an impressive Sunday night ceremony, were together as the Russians, Elena Berezhnaya and Anton Sikharulidze, joined Canadian skaters Jamie Sale and David Pelletier in a virtual replay with modifications.

This time the right thing was done. However, it should have never been necessary. The Canadians are the real champions.

There are some editorial curmudgeons who say the rules shouldn't have been changed to make the adjustment. That wasn't a "two wrongs don't make a right" situation. It was a wrong that was corrected.

Judges should always be past reproach. What would be wrong is to allow "fragility under pressure" type personalities to continue to be adjudicators. If officials in the Olympic structure had any idea this woman was less than totally honest they should have exempted her from

participation.

The IOC says there will be major changes in how judging assignments are made.

Now, to NASCAR and decisions made Sunday in the season opening Winston Cup "Daytona 500".

When the final wreck of the day brought out the red flag because of a wreck on a restart that was exactly the thing to do. Throughout the long history of the sport, on the short track weekly programs, races were never ended under caution. When there are situations, which bring out the yellow flag, those laps aren't counted. When red flag conditions cause the event to be stopped rather than ending the under caution it is then restarted and completed at full speed.

When vehicles are involved in a racetrack collision and the race has to be stopped the irrevocable rule is no one is allowed to work on the car. That includes the driver. So, when Sterling Marlin, who apparently had taken the lead, got out of his car when the race was red-flagged with three laps remaining, he violated a rule that has stood for decades.

He ran to the side where damage had been done to a fender causing it to press down on the tire. He started to straighten it out.

Marlin had to go to the back of the pack because of an "illegal pit stop". It's likely the metal would have cut the tire and he would not have won anyway and likely would not have finished the contest.

The rule change that needs to be made is getting rid of restrictor plates at Daytona and Talladega. When that happens we'll see something more akin to racing than high speed bumper cars.

Restrictor plates were introduced in an effort to bring speeds down. The trouble is, the way cars are bunched up on these tracks - all at about the same speed no one gains an advantage.

Here comes the busiest season
We are now into the final week of regular season high school basketball and the opening week of baseball, softball and soccer with boy's golf and tennis joining a new campaign of track and field competition.

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Irmo boys take thriller from Lexington 'cats

By Chuck McDonald
Contributing Writer

Irmo's boys basketball team led Lexington for most of the game on Tuesday at IHS, but when the Wildcats took the lead for the first time at 5:33 in the third quarter, what had been a close hard-fought battle, became a back-and-forth cliff-hanger.

And it continued that way right up until the final buzzer of the overtime period when the Yellow Jackets won it 48-46 with a Sheldon Waiters steal, downcourt, then pass to Doug Hogan; and a Hogan one-handed layup from beyond the glass as the buzzer signaled the end of a traditional Irmo/Lexington thriller.

Irmo head coach Tim Whipple was exuberant and just simply pleased

with his team's win, but more importantly, with the team's development.

"This team has matured so much as the year has gone on," he said. "They've met, pretty much, all expectations."

"We've had a lot of 'almost' against some very good teams, and to be able to win this one — just for the psyche, just for all the hard work that they've put in — it's nice."

The win gives Irmo an 11-14 overall record, and a 6-5 record in Region 3-AAAA. And it avenges a heartbreaker at Lexington a few weeks ago.

At the same time that the Yellow Jackets celebrated a hard-earned victory over one of the state's top 4-A boys teams, the contrast to the previous week's performance at Dutch Fork

became even more interesting.

Whipple said that mental preparedness for the task can make a difference "when you have a young team like we do."

"Obviously, in that game (at Dutch Fork) we weren't (ready), and tonight we were," he said.

Whipple had earlier credited Dutch Fork's defense and preparedness in talking about the Yellow Jackets' loss to the Silver Foxes.

Tuesday's game against the Wildcats was, of course, a region game which will count toward an effort to make the playoffs.

Irmo will play at Orangeburg-Wilkinson — another highly ranked 4-A team, on Friday in their final appearance of

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Irmo girls take loss, look to playoffs

By Chuck McDonald
Contributing Writer

The Lady Yellow Jackets took a 37-32 loss at home against Lexington earlier this week, but they should still finish in the top four — good enough for another appearance in the playoffs.

Irmo had taken second place in Region 3-AAAA, but, even though they still possess a 7-4 region record, the final postseason lineup won't be known until after Friday's regular season finale.

"There is a log jam in the region," Irmo head coach Monica Williams said. "Williams said that the Jackets could finish third or fourth."

"We've got to go down and play OW (Orangeburg-Wilkinson) at OW, which is going to be a huge task for us," she said of Friday's game. "We'll go to the playoffs, but where and when, I don't know."

Williams said her team could have done better against Lexington. The Lady Jackets turned in a "A-game" per-

formance against the No. 1 Dutch Fork Silver Foxes in the previous week, but they seemed to run out of steam on senior night against the Lady Wildcats. "I'm very disappointed after tonight," she said. "I felt like we didn't come out with any intensity. I felt like we came out flat."

"To come out so flat and nonchalant against one of our biggest rivals, I have no explanation for it."

Williams said that turnovers, lack of good shooting, and not defending well accounted for the loss.

"We just shot ourselves in the foot in so many ways," she said. By contrast, "I think we played extremely well against Dutch Fork. It was probably one of our best efforts of the season."

Irmo will play at Orangeburg-Wilkinson on Friday, and that will wrap up the regular season.

The girls playoffs begin Monday, and the boys begin on Tuesday. The regular-season schedule,

Recreation commission offers canoe, kayak trips

The Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission is offering guided canoe and kayak trips along the Saluda River.

Rides are offered from 1 pm to 5 pm on the following dates:

Sunday, March 3,

Saturday, March 23,

Sunday, April 7,

Saturday, April 20,

Saturday, May 18,

Sunday, May 26,

Children ages six through 12 must be accompanied by a participating adult. Unaccompanied children ages 13 through 17 must bring a release waiver signed by a parent or guardian. All equipment is included in the \$35 fee.

Participants must register at least one week prior to the date on which their trip is scheduled and should meet at the boat landing area in Saluda Shoals Park 20 minutes before departure. Participants are encouraged to bring a water bottle, snack, and camera.

There is a \$5 discount for Saluda Shoals Park pass holders. For more information, call 772-3336.

Saluda Shoals offers horseback riding

The Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission is offering horseback riding along the trails of Saluda Shoals Park on several dates during the next couple of months. Rides will be offered Saturdays, Feb. 23, March 9 and 23, April 13 and 27, May 11 and 25. Times are 10:30 a.m., noon, and 1:30 p.m.

Riders must be at least eight years old, and riders under 15 must wear a helmet, which will be provided. Riders should wear long sleeved shirts and pants, lace-up shoes/boots.

Registration ends one week before each event. The fee is \$35 (\$30 for Saluda Shoals pass holders.)

For more information, call 772-3336.

SPORTS NOTES

Dutch Fork's boys basketball team is on a roll! The Silver Foxes have won four straight big ones heading into next week's beginning of the playoffs.

Dutch Fork beat Ridge View, Sumter, Irmo, and, on Tuesday, Spring Valley. The Foxes have only Lancaster left on the regular schedule, and that game will be on Friday at Lancaster.

The Dutch Fork girls, meanwhile, have added another win — they defeated Spring Valley on Tuesday — to continue

undefeated this year.

The star-studded, top-ranked Silver Fox ladies will finish the regular season at Lancaster on Friday, and the playoffs will begin next Monday.

Dutch Fork should receive a bye in the first round, and, with their record, they should play at home for most of the postseason.

Dutch Fork's wrestling team, which finished as a single-point runner-up in state duals competition, qualified nine wrestlers for individual state finals competition. Irmo's Yel-

low Jackets qualified eight for the state individual tournament.

The state individual tournament, for the state championship, gets under way at the USC Coliseum with weigh-ins on Friday at 5:00 p.m. Opening ceremonies will follow at 6:30 p.m., and championship round one begins at 7:00 p.m.

On Saturday the first round begins at 9:00 a.m., and the tournament will continue throughout the day until the 4:15 p.m. championship final round.

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LMA to notify Senate clerk of support for bill

By Dille Mays

Directors of the Lake Murray Association, which earlier this year indicated support for a noise ordinance on Lake Murray for the first time in the organization's eight-year history, carried the matter a step further at their January meeting by voting to write a letter to the Clerk of the South Carolina Senate endorsing the concept of Bill No. 855.

Introduced in the S. C. Senate by District Three Sen. Bob Waldrep, a Republican from Anderson, the bill proposes to amend Chapter 25, Title 50, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Article 15 "so as to provide restrictions for motorboats on any lake with a lake surface area of 55,000 acres or greater in South Carolina and to provide penalties."

The proposal, which has no sponsors, is said to be in a senate subcommittee. LMA's board of directors reviewed the

proposal at the January meeting and endorsed the concept, provided it is given appropriate amendments, foremost being amended so that Lake Murray, which has fewer than 55,000 acres, would be included.

Bill East, a member of the LMA's ad hoc committee on noise appointed last year by LMA President Lee Barber to study complaints of boat noise that had been filed with LMA directors, had made the group aware of the bill's proposal at the January meeting.

At the February board meeting, held the second Monday of this month in Lexington, East updated the board on his latest findings.

He distributed copies of the proposed boat noise ordinance to directors, and said he had been in contact with Ed Zobel, a member of the LMA board and a registered lobbyist, who had provided him some background information.

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LMA's executive director resigns

By Dille Mays

After serving a year as the first paid executive director of the Lake Murray Association, Ms. Janet Padalino of Lexington has submitted her resignation. She also is the association's registered lobbyist.

Announcement of her decision to vacate the post was made by LMA President Lee Barber at the February meeting of the LMA Board of Directors, held at Lexington.

Barber informed of her resignation along with the resignations of two new members of the Board of Directors.

The LMA leader commented in his reference to Padalino's resignation that "I

don't think I need to go into detail as to the reason." An automobile accident recently ended the life of a man.

Barber did inform the board, however, that "she did indicate in her letter that she wants to continue with the association and would be willing to serve as a board member, but that she needs some time to get herself together."

Barber recommended that Ms. Padalino fill one of the board vacancies "with the proviso that we be a bit lenient or that we give her excused absences up and until such time she feels she can come back on a regular and recurring basis."

His motion passed unanimously.

No reference was made to Ms. Padalino.

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Dam's 4-lane road status changes again; state aid now assured

The on-again, off-again proposal to widen S.C. 6 across Lake Murray to four lanes appears to be on-again, at least for the time being.

Latest word from power players involved in the widening decision indicates the road project is now assured again following an agreement affirming \$59 million in state aid.

This agreement appears to eradicate a threat surfacing in January that the State Infrastructure Board may withdraw \$49 million in state aid approved there and a half years ago for the road widening due to delays by SCE&G in starting a business deal needed to strengthen the dam sufficient to withstand a 7.5 earthquake.

The agreement commits South Carolina Electric and Gas Co. to lay a path for the wider road as it builds the new business wall, and that makes the utility eligible to receive the aid.

SCE&G spokesman Brian Duncan said the utility is presently finishing up design and gearing up for construction, which he predicts should start this fall.

He said SCE&G is committed to meet the agreement, which guarantees aid if all preparations for the new wall is finished by Sept. 2, and "has been committed since Day One."

Since SCE&G has been in the planning process to comply with the mandate from the Federal Energy Regulation

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Members of the Little Mountain Fire Department and Rescue Squad gather with Sam Derrick at the town's outdated pumper which will be replaced when a new station is built. Derrick, one of the 15 original members of the department when it organized in the early 60s, has donated an acre of land for the building, which will serve both the fire department and rescue squad. Left to right are Johnny Frick, rescue squad chief; Derrick; Don Wicker, fire chief; Mike Chapman Jr., fire dept. captain; Johnny Cumalander Jr., fire dept. captain; and Clark Redenbaugh, fund raising chairman.

Prayer and patriotism program to benefit rural fire department

By Dille Mays

Editor in Chief

The Little Mountain Rural Fire Department and Rescue Squad, whose services are available in areas of Lake Murray Country, have made a definite commitment to build a joint facility to house fire and rescue equipment. The first of a series of fund-raising events to help them in their cause, appropriately being billed as a Prayer and Patriotism program, is scheduled for Saturday, March 9, at 7 p.m. at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Little Mountain.

Don Wicker of Little Mountain, a 30 year veteran of the fire department who succeeded Jerry Stoudemire as chief four months ago, says the new building is necessary so the volunteer department can get a new pumper, a much-needed piece of fire fighting equipment vital to providing better service as well as lower insurance rates to the service area.

Volunteer fireman Clark Redenbaugh, who has agreed to serve as fund raising chairman, has begun promoting the opening fund raising program, featuring gospel singers Deana Deharit, Aaron Hemmer and Billy Isgett, as a Southern Gospel Concert and a Salute to Emergency Personnel. All proceeds will go to the Little Mountain Rescue Squad and Fire Department.

The project already has reaped some impressive financial support, including the gift of an acre of land by Sam Derrick, a former Mayor of Little Mountain and a former assistant chief of the fire department.

ment who was one of the original members of the department when it was organized in the early 60s.

"And we're currently in the process of getting a county supplemental appropriation of \$50,000 for the building, which certainly will get us started," informed Chief Wicker. "But it's going to take a lot more than this to complete our vision."

He said other fund-raising planned for the future would include yard sales, bake

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According to information East said he has received through Zobel, Sen. Waldrep and his staff indicated an interest in amending the proposal to include Lake Murray.

"I think they are amenable to an amendment that would include Lake Murray, but I think they also would like to have an idea of what kind of political opposition would incur with that," observed East. "But I do think they would welcome any modification to this (bill) that would make it more reasonable."

East said he learned that Sen. Waldrep apparently introduced the bill at the request of a constituent in Anderson, therefore its scope was limited to the Savannah River impoundment and reservoirs.

"I think it is significant that this bill has been assigned to subcommittee, where a bill generally sits unless there is somebody

who will bring it out," said East.

After his brief report, Barber asked East if he had anything else on the proposed bill.

"Yes," he replied. "What do you want to do about it?"

Barber recommended that since the directors already had recorded its position on the bill at the January meeting, that East's report be accepted as information.

East told Barber that his point is that "if we want to be included and try to get this passed, we need to move fairly soon. This is February, and if we get into March or April, they'll be focused on the budget bill and this could bog down in the Senate subcommittee and not have a chance to pass. Certainly, before our next meeting (the second Monday in March) and maybe even before, I'd say it's show and tell time."

East observed that since he is not a registered lobbyist, he has not contacted anyone and tried to influence them. "I have done that through Zobel (a registered lobbyist)," he noted. "And his last question is

what is your position."

Barber suggested that since the LMA directors already had endorsed the concept of the bill, "a wait and see" attitude should be adopted.

During further discussion, however, Curtis Hipp told the directors that "although we've already agreed we'd support a noise bill, my recommendation is to send a letter to the Clerk of the S. C. Senate and say that we are in support of a noise ordinance on Lake Murray, and recommend that Bill 835 be amended to include Lake Murray."

Such a letter, Hipp proposed, could be very short and to the point. "We don't have to go into any details, and we could send copies of it to Sen. Waldrep and our elected officials. This bill could never come out of subcommittee, but at least we've got a letter on record that says we (LMA) support a noise ordinance. We're also on record as voting to attempt to get this bill to apply to us (Lake Murray) so we could get it amended."

"He's right," echoed East. "We're on

record as supporting a noise regulation. We're also on record as voting to attempt to get this bill to apply to us. If we could get it amended. So it's up to this board."

Observing that "there are no other bills down there," Hipp moved that LMA write a letter to the Clerk of the Senate endorsing the concept of Bill 835 and ask that it be amended to include Lake Murray.

The motion was seconded and unanimously passed. Barber asked Hipp if he would write the letter. He agreed, adding that "it will be a very brief one."

When the proposed bill was discussed at LMA's January board meeting, reference was made to other provisions in the proposed bill that also would need amending, including one provision which would require, in its present draft, that "motorboats with inboard-outboard propulsion machinery shall exhaust through the propeller."

No reference was made during the February meeting to any other amendments that might be forthcoming.

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